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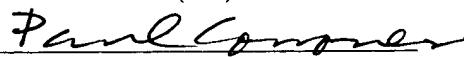
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Leslie S. Carmona et al.  
Appl. No. : 10/643,736  
Filed : August 19, 2003  
For : VEHICLE WHEEL WITH AN  
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CONFIGURED TO SIMULATE  
ANIMAL COVERINGS  
Examiner : Unknown  
Group Art Unit : 3617

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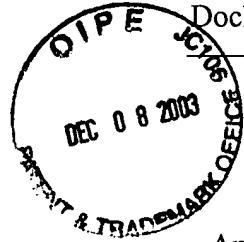
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Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:

- (X) An Information Disclosure Statement.
- (X) A PTO Form 1449 with one (1) references.
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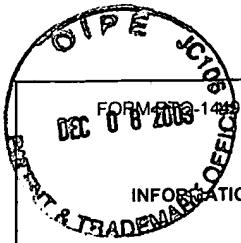
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Respectfully submitted,

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## **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

## **FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAMINER INITIAL	OTHER DOCUMENTS (INCLUDING AUTHOR, TITLE, DATE, PERTINENT PAGES, ETC.)
	Bear Wheel Image as shown at <a href="http://www.ronalusa.com/wheels-2002/bear.html">http://www.ronalusa.com/wheels-2002/bear.html</a>

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